

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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SALE OF CGHS MEDICINES IN MARKET

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether equipment/medicines meant to be supplied to the Central Government employees under the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) are being sold in the open market across the country;
- (b) if so, the details of such cases reported during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the details of persons arrested for selling the CGHS medicines in the open market during the above period;
- (d) the total losses suffered by the exchequer and the action taken by the Government against persons/employees found guilty; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to check such mal-practices in future?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

(a) to (c): Delhi Police has arrested CGHS officials for investigation on the charges of selling of stolen CGHS medicines in the open market in the last three years as indicated below:-

2009 – Shri Revati Prasad Sharma, Pharmacist/Storekeeper, Vivek Vihar dispensary and Shri Mithun Tyagi, Computer Operator, Yamuna Vihar Wellness Centre.

2010 – Nil.

2011 - The following five officials of CGHS dispensaries at Nanakpura/ Tilak Nagar: S/Shri Attar Singh Mastwal, Pharmacist/Storekeeper, Ravinder Kumar, Pharmacist, Krishan Kumar Pharmacist, Sunil Kumar, Pharmacist and Bachcha Singh, Dresser.

(d) Proper evaluation of losses has not been done as yet. While the service of Shri Mithun Tyagi have been terminated, services of all other officials have been suspended. Their cases are subjudice at present.

(e) Measures like frequent surprise inspection of medicine stocks by Senior Officers, 100% physical verification of stocks in a year by an external team, sensitization of CMOs In-charge of wellness centers about continuous vigilance and thorough checking of CGHS plastic cards lying undistributed have been initiated.